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Richmond Dispatch.
TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 1877.
THE CIRCULATION OF THE DISPATCH IS LARGER THAN THE COMBINED CIRCULATION OF ALL THE OTHER DAILY NEWS-PAPERS OF THE CITY.

WEATHER REPORT.
INDICATIONS FOR TO-DAY.—For the South Atlantic States, falling barometer, southerly winds, warmer, partly cloudy weather, and numerous rains will prevail.

For the Gulf States, falling followed by rising barometer, cooler northerly winds, cloudy and rainy followed by clearing weather.

For Tennessee and the Ohio Valley, southerly veering to cooler northerly winds, followed by rising barometer, numerous rains, and cloudy weather.

For the Middle States, northeast to south-easterly winds, cloudy and rainy weather, with stationary temperature followed by cooler westerly winds, and possibly rising barometer.

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY was partly cloudy, close, and sultry.

Thermometer YESTERDAY: 6 A. M., 74; 9 A. M., 80; noon, 86; 3 P. M., 90; 6 P. M., 86; midnight, 77.

The Republican Candidate for Governor of Ohio on the Labor Problem.
His Speech at Cleveland on Wednesday Night.

I probably should tell you who I am and whence I came. I am no railroad officer and never was [A voice: "Glad to hear it!"] and never will be. [A voice: "Bravo."] I hold no railroad bonds or stocks, and my interests are different from those of any other man, and never did. [A voice: "Bravo!"] I hold no untaxed Government bonds, and I never did, and never expect to. [Laughter.] I hold no bank stock, and never did, and never expect to [applause], and, financially, I suspect, I am about as important to the capital and labor as any one without finances possibly can be. [Applause, and a voice: "Will you uphold it?"] I will uphold all that I believe to be right and just between man and man, and discountenance all that I believe in any respect is wrong. I desire to say, my fellow-citizens, to you a word only upon a subject which I know is uppermost in the minds and hearts of most of you. It is that the industry of our country shall be so regarded as that labor shall at least receive that compensation which shall be the support and sustenance of our laborer. [Applause.] I know how labor should be brought about. I know the difficulties; I know the embarrassments; I know how insurmountable are the obstructions in the way of any equal or proper adjustment of the relations between those who labor and those who furnish the means and opportunities for the laborer. I would prohibit the great railroad corporations, the great thoroughfares of business and trade, from reducing their rates by ruinous competition as to disenable themselves from paying a just compensation to the laborer. I would go further, and try the experiment—but I don't know that it would succeed—I would arrange and fix a minimum of prices for all who labor in the mines and upon the railroads, and then require that of all the net receipts and proceeds of the enterprise, a portion of the power I would have. I would, in addition to his fixed compensation, receive a certain per cent. of the profits. [Applause and cries of "That's the man!"] Then, if the profits were insufficient to compensate you as liberally as you could otherwise desire, labor with your employer on a portion of the loss. [A voice: "Certainly."] But if these receipts be sufficient to make a division we would, in God's name, let the laborer, who is worthy of his hire, share a portion of the profits. [Applause.] And now, my fellow-citizens, having fulfilled the promise, I leave the matter to your own judgment. I will endeavor to meet you again on some future occasion, when I shall have more time and opportunity to talk with you as friend to friend, for I am sure as you and I become better acquainted we will not be very wide in our opinions of right and wrong. [Applause.]

Governor Vance to Governor Porter.
Governor Vance, of North Carolina, has sent the following peculiarly-phrased letter to the Governor of Tennessee:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, RALEIGH, July 27.

My Dear Sir: It is officially reported to me that two men, lately citizens (I grieve to say) of this law-abiding Commonwealth, named respectively William Reese and Noah Reece, recently made a hasty visit to Union county, Tenn., on foot, and, disregarding the rights of hospitality and the comity of States, returned into North Carolina mounted—William on a mule and Noah on a gray horse. Close upon their heels came one Barrett Ray, from said Union county, Tenn., who made out due from that said mule was his property, and that said William had obtained possession thereof by certain carpet-bag methods in direct contravention of the eighth commandment. At the same time and place came also one Robert Love, of said Union county, Tenn., who made a similar affidavit in regard to said Noah Reece, who made out due from the said William and Noah Reece were arrested and lodged in the jail of McDowell county, N. C., to await further proceedings. I have the honor, therefore, to await your Excellency's pleasure in the premises, and to assure you that it will afford me no little pleasure to intrust upon a proper disposition of these errand boys of North Carolina to the correcting hands of your judiciary and with assurances of your very high personal and official regard, I am, dear sir, very respectfully, your most obedient servant.

Z. B. VANCE,
Governor Porter promptly sent a requisition for the two "erring sons of North Carolina."

A NOVEL WEDDING-RING.—The London Telegraph of July 25th has the following from Dover: "A curious incident occurred at a marriage at St. Mary's Parish church here this morning. A Frenchman, of the name of Calais, having been staying in the town a sufficient length of time to have the banns published in this church, came up this morning to be married, and the ceremony proceeded satisfactorily until the joining of hands and the putting on of the ring, when it was discovered that the Frenchman had no ring. There was an awkward pause. No one in the company could lend a ring for the occasion; whereupon the officiating clergyman (Rev. Mr. Finley) sent the reverend for the church-door key, the eye of which instrument has been used in other places in similar emergencies. It was found, however, that the eye was not sufficiently large to admit the bride's finger. The bridegroom searched his pockets again, and brought out a bunch of keys attached to a ring. The ring, with its appendages, was placed on the book, from thence it was transferred to the bride's finger, and with the steel ring of the bunch of keys the ceremony was duly completed."

What is the difference between a post-hole and a speaking-trumpet? One is hollowed out and the other bellowed in.—Exchange.

What is the difference between Romeo and a great naval commander? One was lashed to the mast and the other was lashed to the last.—Cincinnati Commercial.

If you are going to educate your son for the life-insurance business you must instill in his mind that modesty is not the best policy.—Yonkers Gazette.

LOCAL MATTERS.

CHURCH NOTES.—In the absence of Rev. Dr. Preston during a temporary vacation, Rev. W. S. P. Bryan, of Columbia, S. C., will fill the pulpit of the First Presbyterian church. He preached twice on last Sunday—in the morning from Galatians ii. 20, "Yet not I (live), but Christ who lives in me," and in the evening from Mark ii. 16, "How is it that he eateth and drinketh with publicans and sinners?" Both sermons were well conceived, and delivered in a most impressive manner. The congregation are fortunate in securing the services of so able a minister, and prepossessing manners, is instructed to receive the latter sermons of which we have heard from them we do not think they are highly pleased with him.

At Sidney Baptist church one was received by letter and five received the hand of fellowship.

MEETING OF THE METHODIST SUNDAY-SCHOOL SOCIETY.—The regular monthly meeting of this Society was held at Union-Station Methodist church on Sunday afternoon last at 8 o'clock—A. L. West (president) in the chair. C. P. Rader and James E. Thompson were present.

The meeting was opened with singing by Union-Station school and prayer by Rev. Dr. Josephus Anderson, of Florida.

The President congratulated the membership of the church and the school on the greatly improved condition of the building, and the school, showing the thoroughly renovated, and expressed the hope that the school would improve greatly in the next few months.

Professor Charles H. Winston, of Richmond College, was then introduced and made a very interesting address—subject, "Spectacles." His remarks were chiefly directed to the scholars, showing the connection of the wires with it in the regular way, and the knowledge of a trained operator. Within the past ten days, however, experiments made at Providence with the wires of the pneumatic-electric system for lighting and extinguishing the gas, and the street-lights in that city have demonstrated the clearest and most convincing manner that the newly-discovered principle of the telephone may be applied to this system of electric work, and communication with most extraordinary results.

Mr. Winston, who is a member of the underground wires of the Providence lamp-lighting system it has been discovered that the human voice can be employed with great advantage over the arbitrary telegraphic signals used for communicating intelligence from one part of the city to another, and that electrical instruments and skilled operators may be entirely dispensed with for instantaneous communication wherever the wires extend. It is not at all necessary that a policeman or other officer of the city entitled to use the wires shall know anything of the telegraph, in order to get the messages sent, and the connection with officials in every part of it. If a policeman, he goes out upon his beat with a telephone in his pocket. There is, we will say, a little door provided in the lamp-post, which every officer has a key; he opens the door, connects his telephone with the wire inside by the simple use of the key, and he is ready to receive the message to the instrument, and first having shouted to attract attention, he talks in an ordinary tone of voice. With the speed of lightning his words reach the office to which his conversation is directed, and by placing on the end of the wire a relay, through which he has just spoken he receives at once an intelligible answer so clear and distinct that, even if separated by miles of distance (how many miles is not yet ascertained), he can tell by its tones, if there are a number of persons present at the other end, just what it is that gives the pleasure of the conversation. By the same operation every police officer and every engine-house can receive the same verbal message in the same instant, and the officers may converse from station to station, and from engine-house to engine-house, and with policemen on duty, with equal facility through these gas-lights, and wires; and all the mistakes and confusion in transmitting from the remote points of a city to different offices are avoided. It is simply a matter of common speech from any point upon one of these wires to any other to its end, wherever it may be, and the simple manner described; for these insulated wires laid in the iron pipes are always in the same condition, and their uniform operation is always assured. Over what length of space these conversations can be carried on can only be known by experiment. It is claimed that it can be carried over distances of fifty miles as well as five; certain it is that there appears to be no difference in the clearness and strength of the articulation, whether the distance is one mile or five. In view of what we have said over our own wires, and the fact that we have just seen, it is quite safe to say that the telephone discovery, although in its infancy, is making very satisfactory progress, and that the present indications are already favorable for its becoming a more useful and powerful aid and helper to mankind in the march of civilization and progress than the first experiments gave us reason to expect.—Boston Herald.

Dog Days.
The astronomy-man of the Providence Journal gives the following sketch of "Dog Days": "The 25th of July marks the commencement of the dog days, when Sirius, or the Dog Star, is supposed to control the elements for the next forty days, until the 6th of September. We give the American computation of the epoch. The English almanacs set it down as commencing on the 3d of July and continuing until the 11th of August. The name for this season is derived, as is well known, from Egyptian superstition, and is the name of the dog days because Sirius, or the Dog Star, rose with the sun, and their united influence was the occasion of the extreme heat and disease incidental to these days. The ancient dog days were forty in number—twenty before and twenty after the rising of the star, and they commenced on the 4th of August and extended to the 14th of September. It is therefore easily understood that modern dog-days have no reference to the rising of Sirius or any other star, as it was by mere accident that the rising of Sirius coincided with the hottest season of the year in the times and countries of ancient astronomers. The time of its rising depends upon the latitude of the locality where it is observed, and is later every year in all latitudes on account of the precession of the equinoxes. In time this star will rise in the dead of winter. The universal use of the term 'dog days' is a noticeable illustration of the pertinacity with which a word is adhered to long after its original significance is entirely lost. 'Dog days,' to the superstitious ancients, marked a season of burning heat, blighting drought, and desolating pestilence, ignorantly associated with the hellish rising of the brightest star of the heavens, whose malign influences could only be propitiated by gifts and sacrifices. Dog days to modern nations simply indicates a period, like the one to be anticipated for a month to come, when, as general features, fog and moisture are abundant, and, combining with the midsummer heat and a lifeless and enervating condition of the atmosphere, produce a season of general unhealthfulness. Fortunately, for human endurance there are intervals in which bright days intervene, for in the physical world no line and plummet mark out a succession of days in which each shall be a repetition of the others."

JOSEPH BILLINGS MAKES MORE MONEY THAN ANY OTHER AMERICAN AUTHOR.—And he never wrote a line for print till he was forty-five. Graphic.

LOCAL MATTERS.

THE CHARGES AGAINST COLLECTOR RUSSELL.—A SPECIAL AGENT HERE TO INVESTIGATE THEM.—Special Agent Webster, of the Treasury Department, arrived here yesterday morning with instructions to investigate the charges recently preferred by Messrs. S. P. Bailey and C. C. Fant against Mr. Russell, collector of internal revenue. The main allegation is that Mr. Russell, while chief deputy under Mr. Rush Burgess, was guilty to the latter of doing much of the work which was lost to the Government; others refer to Mr. Russell's conduct of the business since he became collector, and do not seem to be of very grave consequence. Mr. Webster, a gentleman of prepossessing manners, is instructed to receive the latter allegations, which are charged by the oaths, and to witness Mr. Russell to produce counter-affidavits, and is himself authorized to examine Mr. Russell's books and vouchers and make report.

Mr. Bailey, who seems to have been most active in the matter, and Mr. Fant, who also reached the city yesterday and expected to bring a number of witnesses before Mr. Webster, but it seems that the parties upon whom they relied were not willing to come forward. Up to 7 o'clock yesterday evening nothing whatever had been done toward securing the charges. Mr. Bailey said that of his own knowledge he knew nothing, but that he had letters in his possession which fully justified him in pursuing the course he has. He declared that he assumed full responsibility, and that Colonel Mosby, who has been frequently connected with this affair, knowing all about it and having no part in it.

Mr. Webster does not construe his orders to mean that he is to work up the case and hunt up the evidence like a detective, but simply that he is to receive such testimony as the accusers produce, and, if necessary, look into the books and papers.

Several hands have been called by the witnesses, but the plan of investigation is changed, and they are summoned to appear before some tribunal having power to compel their attendance.

Mr. Russell is not only willing, as he states, but anxious, that the investigation shall proceed, and offers to pay the cost of the machines and for the street for the charge now under consideration has been frequently brought forward and inquired into, and always with results highly satisfactory to him. Indeed, his friends say that his appointment as collector to succeed Mr. Burgess was made in consequence of his services to the Government while deputy to Mr. Burgess, and that the Department, knowing all, always felt that the Government was under obligations to him.

THE MOFFETT REGISTERS—THE PENDING PROCEEDINGS IN THE UNITED STATES COURT. Judge Hughes has fixed upon September 4th, at Alexandria, for the hearing of the pending case of the Moffett registers. The State of Virginia and the Moffett registers, and an injunction restrains all parties from making, operating, or distributing said registers in the mean time. General Field and Senator Grimsley, of Culpeper, counsel for Mr. Johnson, the contractor for the State, have gone to Norfolk to move Judge Hughes to dissolve the injunction at once, or until such order is made to increase the bond of complaint, which is now but \$10,000.

The invention said to be infringed was patented by one Thomas Fountain, of the State of Virginia, and was described in the Moffett bill, and the right for Virginia was purchased by D. G. Yungling, proprietor of the James River Brewery, with the view of testing the bill. Fountain claims—

"In an apparatus for registering and indicating fares, and adapted to be carried in the hand, a shaft having at one end a rotating wheel, and at the other a hammer, and the hammer-hammers in combination with the pawl and ratchet on the said shaft, as set forth."

The Patent-Office Examiner refused Moffett and Deane to be parties in the pending case, and the application of persons were in attendance from Manchester.

Sunday the services at the First (colored) Baptist church were unusually interesting. Rev. J. W. Patterson, of Danville, preached in the morning; Rev. E. G. Corple, of Portsmouth, preached in the afternoon, and Rev. Jesse Huntington, of Charlottesville, at night.

Rev. C. E. Steward, the resident colored Methodist preacher of Manchester, conducted three services Sunday—morning and night at the county chapel, and afternoon in the basement of the Methodist church (white).

Death of a Former Resident.—Henry A. Jordan, Esq., yesterday received a telegram from Washington announcing the death of his brother-in-law, William F. Bass, in that city, after a very brief illness.

The deceased was much in this city, and was a member of the Elliott Guards, a volunteer brigade of the late war, and was a brave and devoted friend, and one of nature's noblemen. His remains are expected to arrive some time to-day in charge of his brother and a committee of Washington Old-Fellows. The news of his sudden demise was heard with the deepest regret by his old fellow-soldiers and all classes of our people, by whom he was universally beloved. The Manchester Old-Fellows will unite with their Washington brethren in paying every tribute of respect to their lost brother. Sergeant Bass was largely connected by birth and marriage in this city and Richmond.

Mayor's Court—Justice Perdue presiding.—William H. Goddin, George Newell, and Robert Perkins were fined \$1 and costs each for drunkenness and committed to jail for five days in default of payment.

The City Jail.—There are eleven white males, four colored males, and six colored females in jail—the largest number ever confined there. Included in the number are two colored female lunatics. This is a larger number in proportion to the population than Richmond boasts of.

Personal.—Rev. Mr. Sams and family are at the Alleghany Springs.

P. J. Sampson, councilman-elect for the Fourth Ward, has qualified.

Annie W. Browder has bought suit in the Business Court for divorce from her husband, George W. Browder, now undergoing a sentence of three years in the penitentiary.

Frank E. Marks, deputy collector of United States internal revenue, formerly of this city, was on a visit to his friends yesterday.

Chesfield Court.—The August term commenced yesterday. The court was occupied in the consideration of the delinquent land and capitation tax, and will adjourn to-day.

The Legislative Convention.—The Convention to nominate two candidates for the Legislature from this city and Chesfield county will meet at the Old Courthouse Saturday.

FALL IN WATERMELONS.—A festive mule created quite an excitement Broad street yesterday evening by running along with a watermelon-curt. When opposite the City Hall he collided with a horse, and finally "fetched up" against a telegraph-pole, causing a decided fall in melons, much to the delight of the small boys in the vicinity.

RESISTANCE TO AN OFFICER.—Jim Scott (colored) was arrested yesterday, charged with creating a disturbance in the street and resisting Policeman Finnegan.

SHOOTING-MATCH YESTERDAY EVENING.—The shooting-match yesterday evening resulted as follows:

	Killed.	Missed.	Dead Out.
J. D. Snelling.....	19	7	1
G. H. Evers.....	17	2	1
W. F. Miller.....	15	1	1
A. G. Babcock.....	11	7	2

There were four deaths reported in the Leigh-Street school and one in the Grace-Street school.

After brief and interesting remarks by Revs. G. F. Williams and J. M. Butler, and Messrs. T. J. Evans, Miles Turpin, and W. H. Williams, the Bishop Gibbons adjourned to the Archbishop of Baltimore, which are now in his possession. The Bulls were brought from Rome to Baltimore by Archbishop Wood, of Philadelphia. Bishop Gibbons has not intimated when he would take his departure for Baltimore, though it is authoritatively reported that he proposes leaving in October.

ACCIDENT.—A New Yorker who got off the train at the Union depot Sunday afternoon to view the city, and who was unfortunately enough to allow the train to start without noticing it, in attempting to catch up with the train was thrown down through the trestle-work upon